## SLING FOR A SHOULDER WEAPON

## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A sling for a shoulder weapon, such as a military assault rifle or carbine, in which the effective length of the sling can be extended quickly and quietly and then easily and quietly retracted to the original length. A quick release plate and an engagement member cooperate to hold a loop of strap material to provide the shorter configuration of the sling, and the quick release plate can be manipulated easily to pass over the engagement member to lengthen the sling. A latching mechanism can be released quickly to disconnect a portion of the sling in an emergency. The opposite ends of the sling can be attached to or disconnected from a weapon easily and quickly using secure, quiet fittings.